



BOURNEMOUTH CYCLING FORUM
Minutes of Meeting Held on Tuesday 18th December 2018
At Bournemouth Town Hall – MHS Phoebe Room
Commencing at 18.00hrs

Attendees:

Lawrence Harrell – Transport Officer BBC
Peter Wickett – Poole Borough Council
Mike Chalkley
Simon Ible
John Holloway
Ray O’Luby
Sara Speakman-Jones
Brian Callow
Cllr Andy Hadley – Poole Borough Council
John Hayter – DCN
David Breakwell
Matt Matthews
Jim McLay
Felicity Rice
Jason Falconer - Chair
Angela Pooley – Secretary

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1. Introductions & Apologies:

Michael Headon; Cllr d’Orton-Gibson; Paul Turner; Dave Fev; Andy Graham; Tom Espley; Cllr Cheryl Johnson

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

These were accepted as a true and accurate record.

3. Matters Arising Not Covered on the Agenda:

There were no matters arising.

4. Bournemouth & Poole Officers’ Reports

4.1 Bournemouth

Schemes.

Design work on Beale Place is complete and construction work still start late Jan/early Feb. The work will take approximately 5 months and will be phased. Pedestrian and cycle access should be possible at all times.

Design work is continuing on Wallisdown Road and some preliminary proposals are shown on the attached plans.

Plans to improve facilities on Magna Road between the Poole boundary and Ringwood Road have been postponed to coordinate with work in Poole.

We are looking at improved links between Springbourne and the Curzon Road railway bridge.

We are looking at opportunities to make the traffic signals at the junction of Holdenhurst Road and Ashley Road more cycle friendly.

We are continuing to look at two gaps in the network along Castle Lane West One is near the junction with Mount Pleasant Drive and the other is by the shopping parade near Castlepoint.

We have recently refurbished and improved signing and lining on footways adjacent to Castlepoint.

Cycle Monitoring.

Our cycle monitoring system is being upgraded for Bournemouth and Poole which will give us much better data on cycle flows in key locations on the network. The new counters will detect aluminium and carbon framed bikes.

Cycle Parking.

We continue to find stands being removed (5 outside WH Smiths in the Square) as well as dumped bikes on stands. Please let us know when you find abandoned bikes or damaged stands. New cycle parking will be installed in the Spring at:

- • Boscombe near the entrance to Woodland Walk & at the junction with Gloucester Road.
- • Holdenhurst Rd by Lowther Gardens and Victoria Place outside Tesco Express.
- • Westbourne near Tesco Express at the junction of Poole Rd & Milburn Rd.
- • Old Christchurch Road near the new Zebra crossing.

Signage.

Work has commenced on designing and costing the Lansdowne to Wessex Fields quiet route. We are now looking to extend this into the Town Centre possibly via a new link between Holdenhurst and Oxford Roads.

4.2. Poole

Magna Road: Scheme currently being delivered this financial year is on one side only, due to budget constraints. Remaining work to be funded in future years.

Ringwood Road: Section between Old Wareham Road and Sea View Road

- This scheme is now part of an overall corridor approach. Design work will be progressed during 2019/20 with construction expected in 2020/21.

Alder Hills: Improvements to quieter alternative route

- Currently developing options and direction signing strategy.

Bourne Valley Greenway: Surface improvement to path from school to Dalling Rd

- This scheme is being promoted by Open Spaces. Land is owned by Council but isn't adopted highway. SSSI status of nature reserve may require consents. Waiting on Natural England for a formal response.

Foxholes Road: Direction signing in Oakdale

- Site visits completed with engineers and designs are now being prepared.

Poole to Bournemouth Cycle Route – NCN25: Joint signing project

- Designs are almost complete, ready for implementation in early 2019. They will include direction markings on the road surface as well as traditional upright signs that are sometimes difficult to see.

Holes Bay Cycle Route: Larger radius curves for continuous cycling

- Design work is ongoing due to surveys required at some locations. The number of corners we're able to improve will depend on cost estimates. However, one location now has a great, in-line bridge that eliminates having to cycle up to the road bridge and back again; installed as part of flood prevention work.

New scheme added – Lower Blandford Road

- Although we are waiting for formal approval, it's expected that the speed limit will be reduced to 30mph so that the cycling facilities can be improved. It may only be possible to provide a cycle lane in one direction (uphill).

New scheme added – Higher Blandford Road

- All approvals have been secured and we are now waiting for an implementation date. There will be a 1.5 metre wide, uphill cycle lane beyond the traffic signals at Springdale Road, as far as Corfe Hills School.

New scheme added – Worgret Road to Darby's Lane cycle track:

- Following an incident on this path, a faulty streetlight has been repaired and the concrete and steel bollards in the middle of the track will be replaced with reflectorised ones at the edges. Please report streetlight faults on the website using this link: <https://www.poole.gov.uk/streets-and-travel/report-a-street-issue/> so that they can be dealt with promptly.

5. Cycle Route Lighting

Lawrence Harrell was asked if he was aware of the lack of lighting on the Southbourne end of the Prom and in parts of Kings Park.

LH explained that faults had been found in the Prom lighting and work is being carried out to repair them.

LH also explained that there is insufficient cabling in Kings Park for there to be more lights.

PW stated that lighting faults in Poole can be reported via the Poole Council's Website.

6. De-restricting Bournemouth Pier uphill past the Russell Cotes.

LH explained that this area is currently being assessed and cycling is likely to be permitted in the near future.

7. A338/Wessex Fields Proposals – Update & Cycling Provision

Following the issue of an amended Planning Application for this Proposal it was unanimously agreed that a formal response stating the Forums serious concerns about the lack of robust facilities for cyclists in the Proposal. AJP agreed to do this within the next 24 Hours in order to meet timelines.

AJP

8. Airport Transport Forum Update

AJP reported that the new owners of the Airport & Business Park appear to be committed to promoting sustainable travel to the Airport. They are ensuring that new businesses provide appropriate facilities for cyclists. They have also expressed an interest in hosting an event for a Bike Doctor and charging points for electric vehicles. They are working closely with the Bournemouth Business Travel Manager.

9. AOB

9.1 LCWIP Progress

PW gave a detailed presentation on progress with LCWIP – See Attachment

JF welcomed this along with new funding for transport announced just the day before (17th December) Informing officers that Forum members were happy to keep advising, recommending that potential schemes with modal filtering and progressive changes to road use be given trials.

9.2 Wallisdown Road Improvements

Following the meeting details of major plans to improve Wallisdown Road have been published on the Council website, here's the very long link:

<https://www.bournemouth.gov.uk/travelandtransport/projectsconsultationslocaltransportplans/projectsconsultations/wallisdown-road/wallisdown-road-major-improvements.aspx>

Future Meeting Dates for 2019:

Tuesday, 5th March at the Town Hall in HMS Phoebe (AGM)

Tuesday, 4th June (Bike Week starts on 8th June)

Tuesday, 3rd September

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